March 15. 1879.

Hon Wm Lloyd Garrison.

My dear Sir.

I have called
to express my thanks for your very kind
and comprehensive letter relating to
my system for securing honest
elections, and owing to existing ex-
igences, to ask a further favor at
your hands.

Mr Forbes is absent in Florida.
Mr Endicott was able to give me but
a brief interview, as he was preparing
to leave for Detroit. He however
indorsed your letter over to Mr. Cobb.
who with a few friends examined the
Ballot by each evident satisfaction.

I feel encouraged to go before the
Judiciary Com. of the Senate and ask legis-
lation for it; and to frame the way
for a favorable reception by the Com.

it has occurred to me that if you could see the propriety of preparing a communication addressed either to the Senate or its Judiciary Committee, stating the desirableness of legislation in this matter, and then let me get the signatures of Ex Mayor Cobb, Wendell Phillips and a few other prominent citizens, it would no doubt be of great service. You would of course append your signature doubtless. Ex Gov. Rice will sign I think. To gain legislation I must move at once, and cannot have too much cooperation. I think if Massachusetts would set the example the State of New York would follow, and then even an honest result in that State at the coming Presidential Election, thereby doubtless deciding rightfully the great National contest.

It has furthermore occurred to me that it might be pleasing to you to write an article for the Atlantic Monthly on the "Federal Election Law," in which an allusion to this system, as a substitute might be made.

Pardon me if I am suggesting too much.

Thankfully Your Obt.

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P.S.

I inclose one of my circulars, the last one I have, and would be glad to have it back again for I cannot now afford to get more printed.

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